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FOR EA/VN WENZEL

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR AFIN VS

SUBJ: ICCS FINANCES: POL TAX EXEMPTION

REF: STATE 225619

1. PA&E ACTING AS ICCS AGENT, IN COLLABORATIN WITH EMBOFFS, HAS CONTINUED TO CARRY THE BALL IN SEEKING POL TAX EXEMPTION. AS RESULT THSE EFFORTS, GVN AS OF THE BEGINNING OF OCTOBER EXEMPTED PURCHASES OF AUTOMOBILE GASOLINE FOR ICCS FROM TAX. ACCORDING TO PA&E, COMBINATION OF ELIMINATION OF THIS TAX AND SEVERE RATIONING PROGRAM BEING ADMINISTERED BY PA&E WILL MEAN THAT FOR LAST SIX MONTHS OF CURRENT ICCS FISCAL YEAR TOTAL COST OF GASOLINE WILL BE REDUCED FROM PROJECTED \$500,000 TO ONLY \$150,000.

2. GVN HAS NOT YET GRANTED EXEMPTION ON DIESEL OIL BECAUSE AUTHORIZATION APPROVED BY FOREIGN MINISTRY HAS NOT YET BEEN PROCESSED BY TAX OFFICE CONCERNED. EMBASSY HAS LOANED EXPERT SERVICES OF ITS CUSTOMS OFFICER TO ICCS AND HAS CONTINUED TO PROD ICCS AND GEN INTO SPEEDING UP ACTION. PA&E ESTIMATES THAT IF EXEMPTION

IS GRANTED ON DIESEL OIL NOW, COST OF THIS FUEL DURING LAST SIX
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MONTHS OF ICCS FISCAL YEAR WILL BE REDUCED FROM PROJECTED \$500,000

TO \$300,000.

3. PROBLEM OF REIMBURSEMENT FOR PAST TAXES PAID, PARTICULARLY
IN 1973, IS MUCH MORE COMPLICATED BECAUSE OF DOCUMENTATION
PROBLEM. WE WILL FOCUS ON THIS AS SOON
AS WE HAVE SETTLED THE DIESEL OIL PROBLEM.
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